

Title V of the bill which expand the lending authority of the Farm Credit System. **Pages H8727–30**

Rejected:

Kind amendment (No. 1 printed in part B of H. Rept. 110–261) that sought to reform the farmer safety net to work better for small farmers at lower cost, reallocate funding to nutrition, conservation, specialty crops and healthy foods, rural development, and programs that benefit socially disadvantaged farmers (by a recorded vote of 117 ayes to 309 noes, Roll No. 747). **Pages H8701–23, H8730**

H. Res. 574, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 222 yeas to 202 nays, Roll No. 746, after agreeing to order the previous question by voice vote.

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on page 8650.

Senate Referrals: S. 1877 was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary and S. 1642 and S. 1716 were held at the desk. **Page H8740**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H8744.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes and eleven recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H8664, H8665, H8665–66, H8666, H8667, H8667–68, H8668, H8669, H8669–70, H8674–75, H8675, H8684–85, H8686, H8730. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 12 a.m.

Committee Meetings

HABEAS CORPUS FOR DETAINEES

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on Upholding the Principle of Habeas Corpus for Detainees. Testimony was heard from the Greg Katsas, Principal Deputy Associate Attorney General, Department of Justice; Daniel J. Dell'Orto, Principal Deputy General Counsel, Department of Defense; Patrick Philbin, former Associate Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice; LTC Stephen E. Abraham, USA Reserves; and public witnesses.

WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Higher Education, Lifelong Learning and Competitiveness held a hearing on the Workforce Investment Act: Ideas to Improve the Workforce Development System. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MINERS PROTECTIONS LEGISLATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Workforce Protections held a hearing on the S-Miner Act (H.R. 2768) and the Miner Health Improvement Enhancement Act of 2007 (H.R. 2769). Testimony was heard from Kevin Stricklin, Administrator, Coal Mine Safety and Health, Mine Safety and Health Administration, Department of Labor; and public witnesses.

CHILDREN'S HEALTH AND MEDICARE PROTECTION ACT (CHAMP) ACT

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Began consideration of H.R. 3162, Children's Health and Medicare Protection (CHAMP) Act of 2007.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Financial Services: Ordered reported, as amended, the following bills, H.R. 3002, Native American Economic Development and Infrastructure for Housing Act of 2007; H.R. 180, Darfur Accountability and Divestment Act of 2007; and H.R. 3121, Flood Insurance Reform and Modernization Act of 2007.

The Committee began consideration of H.R. 2895, National Affordable Housing Trust Fund Act of 2007.

Will continue July 31.

MILLENNIUM CHALLENGE CORPORATION'S VANUATU IMPACT

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific, and the Global Environment held a hearing on Is the Millennium Challenge Corporation Overstating Its Impact: The Case of Vanuatu. Testimony was heard from David B. Gootnick, Director, International Affairs and Trade, GAO; and Rodney G. Bent, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Millennium Challenge Corporation.

EXPORT CONTROLS

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade held a hearing on Export Controls: Are We Protecting Security and Facilitating Exports? Testimony was heard from Christopher A. Padilla, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce; Stephen D. Mull, Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State; Beth M. McCormick, Acting Director, Defense Technology Security Administration, Department of Defense; Ann Marie Calvaresi Barr, Director, Acquisition and Sourcing Management, GAO; and public witnesses.

FREQUENT TRAVELER PROGRAMS

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Border, Maritime and Global Counterterrorism held a hearing entitled “Frequent Traveler Programs: Balancing Security and Commerce at our Land Borders.” Testimony was heard from Robert M. Jacksta, Executive Director, Traveler Security and Facilitation, Office of Field Operations, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security; and public witnesses.

PRIVATE SECTOR INFORMATION SHARING

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Intelligence, Information Sharing and Terrorism Risk Assessment held a hearing entitled “Private Sector Information Sharing: What is It, Who Does It, and What’s working at DHS?” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: James M. Chaparro, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Intelligence and Analysis; Melissa Smislova, Director, Homeland Infrastructure Threat and Risk Analysis Center; and R. James Caverly, Director, Infrastructure Partnerships Division, Infrastructure Protection and Preparedness Directorate; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—FBI

Committee on the Judiciary: Held an oversight hearing on the Federal Bureau of Investigations. Testimony was heard from Robert S. Mueller, Director, FBI, Department of Justice.

INTERNET TAX FREEDOM ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law held a hearing on the Internet Tax Freedom Act. Testimony was heard from Representatives Campbell of California and Eshoo; and public witnesses.

HARDROCK MINING AND RECLAMATION ACT

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing on H.R. 2262, Hardrock Mining and Reclamation Act of 2007. Testimony was heard from Senator Craig; from Henri Bisson, Deputy Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; John Leshy, former Solicitor General, Department of the Interior; Jennifer Martin, Commissioner, Game and Fish Commission, State of Arizona; J. P. Tangen, former Regional Solicitor, Alaska, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

REFUGE ECOLOGY PROTECTION, ASSISTANCE, AND IMMEDIATE RESPONSE ACT

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife and Oceans approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 767, Refuge Ecology Protection, Assistance, and Immediate Response Act.

PUBLIC LAND COMMUNITIES TRANSITION ASSISTANCE ACT OF 2007

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands held a hearing on H.R. 3058, Public Land Communities Transition Assistance Act of 2007. Testimony was heard from Representative Hooley; Mark Rey, Under Secretary, Natural Resources and Environment, USDA; Julie Jacobson, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Lands and Minerals Management, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

U.S. EMBASSY CONSTRUCTION PROJECT IN IRAQ

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: and the Subcommittee on National Security and Foreign Affairs held a joint hearing on U.S. Embassy Construction Project in Iraq. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Charles E. Williams, Director, Office of Overseas Building Operations; William Moser, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Acquisitions; Patrick Kennedy, Director, Office of Management Policy; and Howard J. Krongard, Inspector General; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—POSTAL SERVICE OUTLOOK

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service and the District of Columbia held an oversight hearing on the Postal Service: Planning for the 21st Century. Testimony was heard from Katherine A. Siggerud, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, GAO; the following officials of the U.S. Postal Service: Gordon Milbourn, III, Assistant Inspector General, Audit, Office of Inspector General; William P. Galligan, Senior Vice President, Operations; and John Walker, Director, Rates, Analysis, and Planning, Postal Regulatory Commission.

CENSUS 2010 WORKFORCE

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Information Policy, Census, and National Archives held a hearing on 2010 Census Workforce. Testimony was heard from Charles Louis Kincannon, Director, U.S. Census Bureau, Department of Commerce; Mathew J. Scire, Director, Strategic Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

UNIVERSITY RESEARCH GLOBALIZATION

Committee on Science and Technology: Continued hearings on Globalization of R&D and Innovation, Part II: the University Response. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

CONTRACT BUNDLING OVERSIGHT

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity held a hearing on Contract Bundling Oversight. Testimony was heard from Calvin Jenkins, Deputy Associate Administrator, Office Government Contracting and Business Development, SBA; from the following officials of the Department of Defense: LTC James Blanco, USA, Assistant to the Director, Office of Small Business Programs, Office of the Secretary of the Army; and Anthony R. Martoccia, Director, Office of Small Business Programs; Scott F. Denniston, Director, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

GULF WAR EXPOSURES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Gulf War Exposures. Testimony was heard from Lawrence Deyton, M.D., Chief Public Health and Environmental Hazards Officer, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; representatives of veterans organizations; and public witnesses.

CHILDREN'S HEALTH AND MEDICARE PROTECTION ACT OF 2007

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 3162, Children's Health and Medicare Protection Act of 2007.

BRIEFING—NATIONAL DRUG INTELLIGENCE ACT

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on National Drug Intelligence Center. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

BRIEFING—RUSSIA COUNTERINTELLIGENCE

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence, Analysis and Counterintelligence met in executive session to receive a briefing on Russia Counterintelligence. The Subcommittee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY,
JULY 27, 2007**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Armed Services, hearing and markup of the following bills: H.R. 3087, To require the President, in coordination with the Secretary of State, the Secretary of Defense, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and other senior military leaders, to develop and transmit to Congress a comprehensive strategy for the redeployment of United States Armed Forces in Iraq; and H.R. 3159, Ensuring Military Readiness Through Stability and Predictability Deployment Policy Act of 2007, 9:30 a.m., and 1 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Credit-Based Insurance Scores: Are They Fair?" 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security, and International Law, to request Department of Homeland Security reports on certain private bills; and to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1119, Purple Heart Family Equity Act of 2007; and H.R. September 11 Family Humanitarian Relief and Patriotism Act, 9 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, to consider the following: H.R. 2831, Ledbetter Fair Pay Act of 2007; H.R. 986, Eightmile Wild and Scenic River Act; and H.R. 3161, Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2008, 11 a.m., H-313 Capitol.